

ABSTRACT

An optical disc reproducing apparatus capable of preventing a contact between an objective lens and an optical
5 disc disposed very close to each other to eliminate the damage-caused functional failures of the objective lens and the optical disc, and permitting proper focus control and tracking control to ensure high-reliability data recording/reading. A lens protecting part (116) protruding
10 in an optical disc direction is provided on the surface facing the optical disc of the objective lens (103), and at least one recess (116a) for establishing communication between the inner and outer sides of the ring is formed in the lens protecting part (116).

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